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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b) is a United States patent application entitled METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR IN-SERVICE DYNAMIC ALLOCATION OF BANDWIDTH IN A TDM NETWORK in the name of the following inventor(s):

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Enclosed are the following:

- ☒ A specification, claims, abstract, and cover page in total comprising twenty-two (22) pages.
- ☒ Five (5) sheets of drawings.
- ☐ An Assignment conveying the invention to _____, including a Form PTO-1595 recordation cover sheet.

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- ☐ A Declaration Claiming Small Entity Status pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.9 and § 1.27.
- ☒ The present application claims entitlement to Small Entity Status under 37 CFR §§ 1.9 and 1.27
- ☒ A Certificate of Mailing by "Express Mail" certifying a filing date by use of Express Mail Label No. EL 813 876 288 US.
- ☐ Priority to _____ (country) Application Serial No. _____ filed on _____ is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119.
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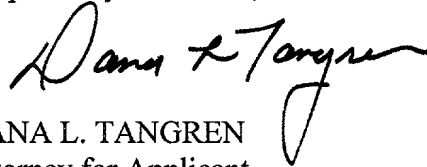
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- Patent Application in the names of Allan Dennis Dufour and Ronald Arthur Frank for METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR IN-SERVICE DYNAMIC ALLOCATION OF BANDWIDTH IN A TDM NETWORK (22 pages)
- Drawings (5 sheets)
- Transmittal Letter (3 pages) (in duplicate)
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